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Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/501,544	LINDBERG ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 09/26/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-39.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
 - * Certified copies not received: _____.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date <u>08/10/2006</u> 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____. 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |
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Response to Amendment

1. Applicant's amendment filed 09/29/2006 has been entered and carefully considered.

Claims 1, 5, 7, 8-12, 16, 20, and 23-27 have been amended.

Claims 28-39 have been added.

The specification has been amended.

The abstract has been amended.

The drawings have been amended.

Examiner's Amendment

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Eric Jensen on October 11, 2006.

The applicant has been amended as follows:

Claim 2, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 3, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 4, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 5, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 6, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 7, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 8, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 9, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 10, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 11, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 16, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 17, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 18, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 19, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 20, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 21, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Claim 22, line 1, "apparatus" has been changed to --system--.

Reasons for Allowance

3. Claims 1-39 are allowed.
4. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

Please see the previous office action and applicant's argument filed on 09/29/2006

Regarding claim 1, in combination with other limitations of the claims, none of the prior art of record teaches or suggests the combination of a system for analyzing a condition of a machine having a rotating shaft and a machine body with a measuring point, the system comprising a client part connectable to a communications network for communication with a supplier part computer, said client part comprising a

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communication port coupled to said data processing means and connectable to said communications network for communication with said supplier part computer; wherein said analysis apparatus is adapted to deliver information indicative of said registered use on said communication port for delivery to said supplier part computer. It is these limitations as they are claimed in the combination with other limitations of claim, which have not been found, taught or suggested in the prior art of record, that make these claims allowable over the prior art.

Regarding claim 12, in combination with other limitations of the claims, none of the prior art of record teaches or suggests the combination of an apparatus for analyzing a condition of a machine having a rotating shaft and a machine body with a measuring point, comprising a logger for registering a value indicative of an amount of use of at least one of said condition monitoring functions; wherein said apparatus for analyzing is adapted to deliver information representing said registered value indicative of an amount of use by way of said communication port. It is these limitations as they are claimed in the combination with other limitations of claim, which have not been found, taught or suggested in the prior art of record, that make these claims allowable over the prior art.

Regarding claim 36, in combination with other limitations of the claims, none of the prior art of record teaches or suggests the combination of a system for analyzing a condition of a machine having a rotating shaft and a machine body with a measuring point, the system comprising a logger constructed so as to store a value indicative of an amount of use of at least one of the condition monitoring functions; and a

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communication port coupled to the data processor and constructed so as to be connectable to the communications network so as to allow communication with the supplier part computer; wherein the analysis apparatus is constructed so as to transfer to the supplier part computer, by way of the communication port, information representing the value indicative of an amount of use of at least one of the condition monitoring functions. It is these limitations as they are claimed in the combination with other limitations of claim, which have not been found, taught or suggested in the prior art of record, that make these claims allowable over the prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Contact Information

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John H. Le whose telephone number is 571 272 2275. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00 - 5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John E. Barlow can be reached on 571 272 2269. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Patent Examiner-Group 2863

October 11, 2006

BRYAN BUI
PRIMARY EXAMINER

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bryan Bui', is written below the printed name and title.